

CLAIMS

We claim:

1. A method for cleaning an in-sink dishwasher comprising a bowl having a bottom wall and a peripheral side wall forming a wash chamber, a basket received within the wash chamber for holding dishes to be washed, a sprayer carried by the basket for spraying liquid through out the wash chamber to clean the dishes,
5 and a liquid supply for supplying liquid to the sprayer, the method comprising:
uncoupling the liquid supply from the sprayer;
spraying liquid against the peripheral side wall from the liquid supply; and
draining the sprayed liquid from the wash chamber.
2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the step of uncoupling the liquid supply from the sprayer comprises removing the basket from the wash chamber.
3. The method according to claim 2, wherein the step of spraying liquid against the side wall comprises laterally spraying the liquid from a nozzle located near the bottom wall.
4. The method according to claim 1, further comprising a wash step of mixing detergent and water to form a liquid for spraying against the peripheral side wall.
5. The method according to claim 1, further comprising a rinse step of spraying a rinse liquid against the peripheral side wall.
6. The method according to claim 5, wherein the rinse step follows the wash step.
7. The method according to claim 5, wherein the rinse liquid is water.

8. The method according to claim 5, further comprising the step of heating of the liquid.

9. A method for cleaning an in-sink dishwasher comprising a bowl forming a wash chamber, a basket received within the wash chamber for holding dishes to be washed, a sprayer carried by the basket for spraying liquid through out the wash chamber to clean the dishes, and a liquid supply for supplying liquid to the
5 sprayer, the method comprising:

removing the basket from the wash chamber;
spraying liquid throughout the wash chamber from the liquid supply; and
draining the sprayed liquid from the wash chamber.

10. The method according to claim 9, further comprising the step of recirculating liquid to the liquid supply.

11. The method according to claim 10, further comprising the step of heating the recirculated liquid.

12. The method according to claim 9, wherein the spraying of liquid against the side wall comprises laterally spraying the liquid from a nozzle located near the bottom wall.

13. The method according to claim 9, wherein the spraying of liquid comprises a wash step where liquid comprising a mixture of detergent and water is sprayed against the peripheral side wall.

14. The method according to claim 13, wherein the spraying of liquid further comprises a rinse step following the wash step.

15. the method according to claim 9, further comprising the step of spraying liquid against a peripheral side wall of the wash chamber.

16. A method for cleaning an in-sink washer, the method comprising the
5 steps of:
 providing a bowl forming a wash chamber;
 providing a sprayer, carried by a basket received within the wash chamber, for
spraying liquid through out the wash chamber;
 providing a liquid supply for supplying liquid to the sprayer;
10 uncoupling the liquid supply from the sprayer;
 spraying liquid throughout the wash chamber from the liquid supply; and
 draining the sprayed liquid from the wash chamber.

17. The method according to claim 16, wherein the step of uncoupling of the liquid supply from the sprayer comprises removing the basket from the wash chamber.

18. The method according to claim 16, further comprising a wash step of mixing detergent and water to form a liquid for spraying against the peripheral side wall.

19. The method according to claim 16, further comprising a rinse step of spraying a rinse liquid against the peripheral side wall.

20. The method according to claim 16, further comprising the step of providing a lid for covering the wash chamber.

21. The method according to claim 20, further comprising the step of detecting the closure of the lid before allowing the spraying of liquid.